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Application Number	09/703,699
Filing Date	1 November 2000
First Named Inventor	DeCeluwa, Craig I.
Art Unit	2696
Examiner Name	Scheibel, Robert C.
Attorney Docket Number	2000-0020 (1014-088)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☒ Other REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on 29 July 2005
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

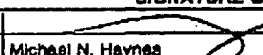
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(e) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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Effective on 12/09/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). <b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>For FY 2005</b>		<b>Complete if Known</b> Application Number <b>09/703,699</b> Filing Date <b>01 November 2000</b> First Named Inventor <b>DeCaluwe, Craig I.</b> Examiner Name <b>Schelbel, Robert C.</b> Art Unit <b>2686</b> Attorney Docket No. <b>2000-0020 (1014-068)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27			
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<b>FEE CALCULATION</b>							
<b>1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES</b>							
Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	300	250	200	100	<b>0</b>
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	300	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
<b>2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES</b>							
<b>Fee Description</b>							<b>Small Entity Fee (\$)</b>
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent							50
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent							200
Multiple dependent claims							360
<b>Total Claims</b>		<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>	<b>Multiple Dependent Claims</b>		<b>Fee (\$)</b>
- 20 or HP = <b>0</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>		<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20		<b>0</b>					
<b>Indep. Claims</b>		<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>			
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<b>3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE</b>							
If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).							
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<b>4. OTHER FEE(S)</b>							
Non-English Specification: \$130 fee (no small entity discount)							<b>0</b>
Other: Request for Continued Examination (RCE), First Month Extension							<b>910</b>

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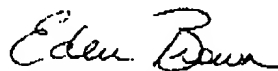
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